

A. R. P. works necessary for giving assistance to the poorer sections of the population by providing employment to them and increasing the general prosperity of the State. But Government will certainly be prepared to consider this question again as soon as the war comes to an end. In view of this assurance I do not know whether the mover will be prepared to consider the question of withdrawing the resolution.

Mr. T. S. Ramachandra Ayyar (Chittur-Tattamangalam): Sir, in view of the assurance, I beg leave of the House to withdraw my resolution.

Mr. T. K. Nayar (Pazhayannur): But why not you accept the resolution with that reservation?

Mr. President: My statement was that as soon as the war is over the question of making suitable provision for quarters for the Members of the Legislative Council coming from outside this locality will be taken up by Government.

Resolution by leave withdrawn

RESOLUTION No. 16

Passing into law the Cochin Verumpattam Tenants' Bill

"This Council recommends to the Government that the Cochin Verumpattam Tenants' Bill which was once introduced by the Government in this Council and which afterwards never came up for consideration, should be immediately taken up for consideration and passed into law with necessary changes so as to protect the vast majority of the poor and actual tillers of the soil from rackrenting and insecurity of tenure."

Mr. Puthur Achyuta Menon (Kattur): Sir, in view of the recent Proclamation, VI of 1117, I am not moving this resolution at this stage.

Resolution not moved

RESOLUTION No. 17

Minimising the franchise qualifications

"This Council recommends to the Government to so minimise the qualifications for voting in the elections to the Legislative Council as to bring it on a par with the system obtaining in British Malabar."

Mr. M. K. Devassy (Adur): Sir, in view of the war situation, I am not moving it at present.